

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
SOUTHERN DIVISION

In re:

MEADOWCRAFT, INC.,

Debtor.

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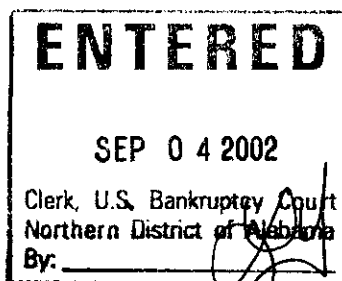
Case No. 02-06910-TOM-11
Chapter 11 Proceeding

**ORDER AUTHORIZING DEBTOR'S MOTION FOR AUTHORITY TO PAY PRE-
PETITION WAGES, SALARIES AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AND TO HONOR
CHECKS FOR PAYMENT OF PRE-PETITION EMPLOYEE OBLIGATIONS**

THIS MATTER having come before the Court on the Debtor's Motion for Authority to Pay Pre-Petition Wages, Salaries and Employee Benefits and to Honor Checks for Payment of Pre-Petition Employee Obligations Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105(a), 363(b), 507(a), and 1114(e) (the "Motion"). Based upon the pleadings of record, the arguments and representations of counsel, and all other matters brought before the Court, the Court has determined that granting the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interest of the Debtor, its estate and creditors; and it appearing that notice of the Motion has been provided as provided in the Motion; and after due deliberation thereon; and sufficient cause appearing therefore, it is

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Motion is **GRANTED** and it is further

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Debtor is authorized and empowered, but not directed, to pay the Employee Obligations (as defined in the Motion); and it is further



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ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that, to the extent funds are available, the Debtor's banking institutions shall honor all pre-petition checks written to pay any of the Employee Obligations; and it is further

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to any matters, claims, rights or disputes arising from or related to this Order.

DONE this 4th day of Sept, 2002.


UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE